

Exhibit B



THE DEVELOPING HEART
PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC
MAY, 18-20, 2000

CONFIRMATION OF HOTEL RESERVATION
FOR HONORARY GUESTS
International Symposium
THE DEVELOPING HEART
Prague, Czech Republic, May 18-20, 2000

DATE: Prague, March 30, 2000

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HOTEL: Vila Lanna - guest-house of the Czech Academy of Sciences
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tel.: 02- 2432 1278
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The Vila Lanna is located in quiet surroundings, less than 10
minutes walking from underground line A station Hradčanská.

ROOM: 1 single room with breakfast

DATE of stay: May 17 - 21 (four nights)
If the dates are not correct please let us know by return

ACCOMPANYING PERSONS: 0

Connection to DIPLOMAT: by underground line A from station Hradčanská to station
Dejvická (one stop, about 5 minutes) or about 15 minutes
walking

Connection to CHARLES UNIVERSITY
(Get-together party) : by underground line A from station Hradčanská to station
Můstek (three stops, about 10 minutes)

TOURIST PROGRAMME : not required

TO BE PAID: hotel accommodation covered by organizing committee

We offer you transportation from the airport to your hotel; for this case we would need the
precise date of your arrival and departure (flight no).

If you must change or cancel your reservation, please write us immediately.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact CBT Travel Agency.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon,

Yours sincerely,

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SLIDES

Chronic hypoxia \rightarrow increased resistance to ischemia

Clinical + basic science background

Mechanisms to explain phenotypic changes

nitric oxide \leftarrow mRNA - NO donor
protein NOS inhibitor

caveolin-3 mRNA NOS 1, 2, 3

IP NOS3: IB Cav-3

Cav-3 protein

$\text{NO}_2^- + \text{NO}_3^-$ levels

erythropoietin

- activates protein kinases
- activates NOS (isoform?)
- chronic hypoxia induces erythropoiesis.
- candidate to increase resistance to ischemia.

protein kinases - JNK, p38, PKC (ϵ ?)

KASP channels - sarcolemmal + mito

Acknowledge Geck, started all of this
in 1958!